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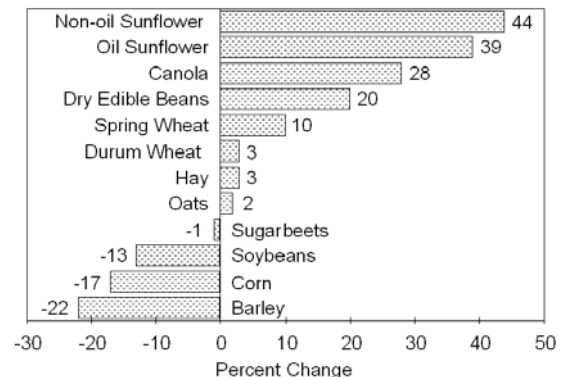
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2005 ACREAGE

North Dakota Acreage planted to **other spring wheat** in North Dakota for 2005 is estimated at 6.80 million acres, a 10 percent increase from last year's 6.20 million acres. **Durum wheat** planted acreage is estimated at 1.80 million acres, up from 1.75 million acres last year. **Soybean** planted acres, at 3.25 million, are down 13 percent from

2004's record high 3.75 million acres. **Corn** planted for all purposes is estimated at 1.50 million acres, down from the record high 1.80 million acres last year. **Barley** acreage is down 22 percent from last year to 1.25 million acres planted. **Oat** planted acres increased to 500,000, up from 490,000 last year. **Canola** planted acres are estimated at 1.00 million acres, up from last year's 780,000 acres. Acres planted to **oil sunflower** rose to 1.00 million, up 39 percent from 2004. **Non-oil sunflower** acreage is estimated at 230,000, up from last year's 160,000 acres. **Flaxseed** acres increased 73 percent from last year to 850,000. **Dry edible bean** acreage is up 20 percent from last year to 670,000 acres. **Sugarbeet** planted acres, at 253,000, are down from 256,000 last year. **Alfalfa hay** acreage that will be cut is estimated at 1.45 million acres, up from 1.30 million acres in 2004. **Other hay** acreage that will be cut is forecast at 1.30 million acres, down from 1.43 million in 2004.

2005 Acres Planted
Percent Change from 2004
North Dakota



Acreage Planted and Harvested, North Dakota & United States ^{1/}

Crop	North Dakota						United States			
	Area Planted				Area Harvested		Area Planted		Area Harvested	
	2004	2005	2005 as % 2004	5-yr Avg 2000-04	2004	Indicated 2005	2004	2005	2004	Indicated 2005
	--- 1,000 Acres ---			--- Pct ---			--- 1,000 Acres ---			
Corn, Grain ^{2/}	1,800	1,500	83	1,288	1,150	1,200	80,930	81,592	73,632	74,368
Oats	490	500	102	591	220	240	4,085	4,342	1,792	1,976
Barley	1,600	1,250	78	1,730	1,480	1,150	4,527	3,970	4,021	3,471
Wheat, All	8,195	8,860	108	9,105	7,775	8,550	59,674	58,080	49,999	50,361
Durum	1,750	1,800	103	2,260	1,600	1,700	2,561	2,573	2,363	2,453
Other Spring	6,200	6,800	110	6,700	5,950	6,600	13,763	14,099	13,174	13,637
Winter	245	260	106	145	225	250	43,350	41,408	34,462	34,271
Rye ^{3/}	25			17	20		1,380	1,440	320	323
Soybeans	3,750	3,250	87	2,724	3,570	3,200	75,208	73,303	73,958	72,384
Flaxseed	490	850	173	568	485	840	523	945	516	931
Potatoes, Fall	105			116	101		1,039.7		1,022.8	
Dry Edible Beans	560	670	120	588	475	620	1,354.3	1,674.0	1,219.3	1,567.4
Sugarbeets	256	253	99	260	246	245	1,345.9	1,284.6	1,306.9	1,257.5
Dry Edible Peas	310			156	296		530.0		507.8	
Lentils	100			60	94		345		329	
Sunflower, All	880	1,230	140	1,172	790	1,180	1,873	2,714	1,711	2,584
Oil	720	1,000	139	958	660	960	1,533	2,176	1,424	2,076
Non-oil	160	230	144	214	130	220	340	538	287	508
Canola	780	1,000	128	1,124	750	980	865	1,092	828	1,067
Mustard Seed ^{4/}							73.0	61.0	68.7	42.5
Rapeseed ^{4/}							8.7	2.2	7.8	1.9
Safflower ^{4/}							175	185	159	173
Hay, All			103	2,826	2,730	2,750			61,916	61,723
Alfalfa			115	1,460	1,300	1,450			21,707	22,118
All Other			91	1,366	1,430	1,300			40,209	39,605

^{1/} Potato, dry edible pea and lentil acreage estimates released July 12. ^{2/} Area planted for all purposes. ^{3/} Estimates discontinued for North Dakota in 2005. ^{4/} Estimates published at U.S. level only.

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2005 ACREAGE (Continued)

United States

Acreage planted to **other spring wheat** for 2005 is estimated at 14.1 million, up 2 percent from 2004. The **durum** planted area for 2005 is estimated at 2.57 million acres, up fractionally from last year. **Soybean** planted area is estimated at 73.3 million acres, down 3 percent from last year. **Corn** planted area for all purposes is estimated at 81.6 million acres, up 1 percent from 2004 and 4 percent above 2003. Growers seeded 3.97 million acres of **barley** for 2005, down 12 percent from the 4.53 million acres seeded a year ago. Producers planted 1.09 million acres of

canola in 2005, up 26 percent from 2004, and the first increase in U.S. acreage since 2000. Area planted to **sunflower** totaled 2.71 million acres in 2005, up 45 percent from last year. Planted area of **oil** type varieties, at 2.18 million acres, is up 42 percent from 2004 and the **non-oil** varieties, estimated at 538,000 acres, are up 58 percent from last year. **Dry bean** growers planted 1.67 million acres for 2005, up 24 percent from last year and 19 percent above two years ago.

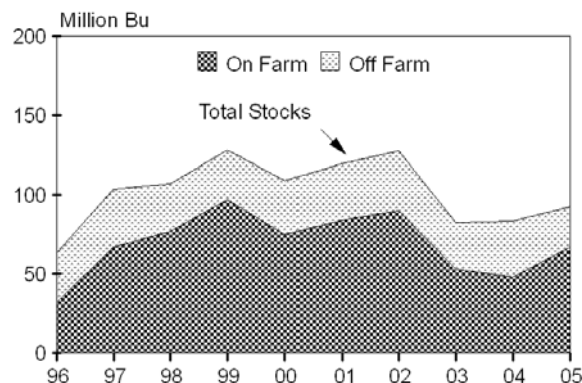
GRAIN STOCKS

North Dakota

All wheat stored in all positions on June 1, 2005, totaled 92.5 million bushels. This is a 10 percent increase from a year ago. All wheat stocks include durum, other spring and winter wheat. **Durum wheat** stocks in all positions on June 1 totaled 21.0 million bushels, up 40 percent from a year ago and the highest since 2002 when stocks were at 23.2 million bushels. **Barley** stored in all positions on June 1 totaled 39.1 million bushels, up 29 percent from a year ago and the highest since 1999 when stocks were at 39.4 million bushels.

Oat stocks in all positions on June 1 totaled 6.02 million bushels, up 9 percent from a year ago. **Corn** stocks in all positions on June 1 totaled 39.6 million bushels, up 60 percent from a year ago. **Soybean** stocks in all positions on June 1 totaled 9.00 million bushels, up 8 percent from a year ago.

All Wheat
North Dakota, June 1, 1996-2005



Grain Stocks, June 1, 2005

Crop	Date	North Dakota			United States		
		On Farm	Off Farm ^{1/}	Total All Positions	On Farm	Off Farm ^{1/}	Total All Positions
Wheat, All ^{2/}	June 1, 2004	48,000	35,800	83,800	131,880	414,559	546,439
	Mar 1, 2005	102,000	61,500	163,500	304,710	679,681	984,391
	June 1, 2005	67,000	25,500	92,500	161,275	378,566	539,841
Durum Wheat	June 1, 2004	10,000	5,000	15,000	13,600	12,712	26,312
	Mar 1, 2005	25,000	9,900	34,900	35,200	20,496	55,696
	June 1, 2005	17,000	4,000	21,000	24,100	13,094	37,194
Barley	June 1, 2004	13,500	16,700	30,200	28,320	91,988	120,308
	Mar 1, 2005	34,000	26,000	60,000	79,680	111,001	190,681
	June 1, 2005	20,000	19,100	39,100	41,100	87,604	128,704
Oats	June 1, 2004	4,700	820	5,520	27,500	37,348	64,848
	Mar 1, 2005	7,100	920	8,020	43,500	38,946	82,446
	June 1, 2005	5,600	420	6,020	25,350	32,613	57,963
Corn	June 1, 2004	16,000	8,800	24,800	1,540,000	1,430,140	2,970,140
	Mar 1, 2005	48,000	22,500	70,500	4,137,000	2,618,261	6,755,261
	June 1, 2005	29,000	10,600	39,600	2,462,300	1,857,657	4,319,957
Soybeans	June 1, 2004	2,600	5,700	8,300	110,000	300,604	410,604
	Mar 1, 2005	19,000	11,000	30,000	795,000	586,364	1,381,364
	June 1, 2005	4,700	4,300	9,000	356,100	343,544	699,644
Rye ^{3/ 4/}	June 1, 2004	----	---	---	240	354	594
	June 1, 2005	----	---	---	210	583	793
Flaxseed ^{4/}	June 1, 2004	----	---	---			1,288
	June 1, 2005	----	---	---			994
Canola ^{4/}	June 1, 2004	----	---	---	----	---	88,160
	June 1, 2005	----	---	---	----	---	130,596
Rapeseed ^{4/}	June 1, 2004	----	---	---	----	---	997
	June 1, 2005	----	---	---	----	---	1,151
Dry Edible Peas ^{4/ 5/} Lentils ^{4/ 5/} All Chickpeas ^{4/ 5/} Small ^{4/ 5/} Large ^{4/ 5/}	June 1, 2005	----	---	---	----	---	3,194
	June 1, 2005	----	---	---	----	---	1,313
	June 1, 2005	----	---	---	----	---	168
	June 1, 2005	----	---	---	----	---	26
	June 1, 2005	----	---	---	----	---	142

^{1/} Includes stocks at mills, elevators, warehouses, terminals and processors. ^{2/} Includes durum, other spring and winter. ^{3/} Three-state total including Minnesota, North Dakota and South Dakota only. ^{4/} Published at the U.S. level only. ^{5/} Estimates began in September 2003.

AGRICULTURAL PRICES

North Dakota

The Index of Prices Received for All Farm Products in June is 110 percent of the 1990-1992 base. This is down 7 percent from last year but 4 percent above two years ago. The All Crops Index, at 107 percent of the base, is down 10 percent from June 2004 while the All Livestock Index, at 120 percent, is up 6 percent from last year. June indexes are calculated using preliminary mid-month prices.

United States

The All Farm Products Index is 120 percent of its 1990-92 base, unchanged from the May index but 6 percent below the June 2004 index. The All Crops Index is 121, up 3 percent from May but 1 percent below June 2004. The Livestock and Products Index, at 119, is 2 percent below last month and 11 percent from June 2004.

Index Numbers of Farm Prices, June 2005

Indexes and Ratios	North Dakota			United States		
	June 2004	May 2005	June 2005	June 2004	May 2005	June 2005
Prices Received	(1990-92 = 100)					
All Farm Products	118	112	110	128	120	120
Crops	119	104	107	122	118	121
Food Grains	120	104	106	121	109	107
Feed Grains & Hay	123	90	94	122	99	102
Oil Bearing Crops ^{1/}	135	118	124	161	111	121
Potatoes & Dry Beans ^{2/}	94	94	99	106	122	127
Livestock	113	129	120	133	122	119
Meat Animals	106	129	118	123	125	121
Dairy Products	137	141	137	139	113	112
Other Livestock Products ^{3/}	113	113	113	146	122	123
Prices Paid	---	---	---	135	139	139
Ratio ^{4/}	---	---	---	95	86	86

^{1/} Includes non-oil sunflower. ^{2/} North Dakota includes sugarbeets. ^{3/} United States excludes wool. ^{4/} Ratio of Index of Prices Received to Index of Prices Paid.

Prices Received by Farmers, June 2005

Item	Unit	North Dakota			United States			Effective U.S. Parity Price June 2005
		Entire Month		Preliminary	Entire Month		Preliminary	
		June 2004	May 2005	June 2005	June 2004	May 2005	June 2005	
		--- Dollars ---			--- Dollars ---			- Dollars -
Wheat, All	Bu	3.73	3.32	3.31	3.55	3.31	3.17	10.30
Durum	Bu	4.11	3.63	3.40	4.35	3.67	3.62	---
Other Spring	Bu	3.63	3.28	3.30	3.83	3.37	3.54	---
Winter	Bu	---	2.59	2.45	3.46	3.23	3.06	---
Corn	Bu	2.82	1.86	1.90	2.79	1.99	2.01	6.90
Rye	Bu	3.01	---	---	---	---	---	6.59
Oats	Bu	1.19	1.32	1.25	1.61	1.64	1.56	4.10
Barley, All	Bu	2.48	2.00	1.97	2.63	2.46	2.36	6.99
Feed	Bu	2.01	1.54	1.40	2.20	1.71	1.66	---
Malting	Bu	2.62	2.42	2.35	2.79	2.90	2.79	---
Sunflower, All	Cwt	13.50	14.40	14.30	13.50	15.50	14.80	---
Oil	Cwt	12.90	13.50	13.00	---	---	---	---
Non-oil	Cwt	16.50	22.40	21.90	---	---	---	---
Baled Hay, All ^{1/}	Ton	57.00	57.00	56.00	95.20	107.00	102.00	---
Alfalfa ^{1/}	Ton	61.00	61.00	63.00	102.00	116.00	112.00	---
Other ^{1/}	Ton	46.00	46.00	41.00	76.90	76.10	73.60	---
Canola	Cwt	13.50	10.70	---	---	---	---	---
Flaxseed	Bu	7.23	11.60	9.10	7.23	11.60	9.10	14.00
Soybeans	Bu	8.09	6.00	6.30	9.08	6.20	6.72	16.70
Dry Edible Beans, All	Cwt	18.10	23.40	21.90	20.00	31.90	25.10	52.30
Navy	Cwt	18.20	26.00	---	---	---	---	---
Pinto	Cwt	17.70	23.90	---	---	---	---	---
Potatoes, All	Cwt	5.70	5.85	5.85	6.16	6.72	7.38	15.50
Fresh ^{2/}	Cwt	3.15	6.00	---	8.79	9.00	---	---
Processing	Cwt	5.80	6.20	---	5.19	5.75	---	---
Beef Cattle	Cwt	68.00	90.10	77.50	89.80	92.40	89.50	179.00
Steers & Heifers	Cwt	97.90	111.00	110.00	93.80	96.40	93.10	---
Cows	Cwt	56.40	62.50	60.00	53.70	58.50	57.30	---
Calves	Cwt	130.00	139.00	137.00	125.00	141.00	140.00	243.00
Sheep	Cwt	29.00	44.00	---	31.30	44.50	---	87.60
Lambs	Cwt	104.00	114.00	---	105.00	115.00	---	217.00
Hogs	Cwt	56.90	54.70	---	56.70	54.90	51.00	111.00

^{1/} Alfalfa, other and all hay are preliminary prices only. ^{2/} Fresh market prices only, includes table stock.

The following estimates, forecasts and projections are mainly taken from recent publications of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Economic Research Service and the World Agricultural Outlook Board of the USDA.

Wheat: Winter wheat production is forecast at 1.55 billion bushels, down 3 percent from May 1, but up 3 percent from last year. Based on June 1 conditions, the U.S. yield is forecast at 44.1 bushels per acre, down 1.3 bushels from the May forecast. Grain area totals 35.1 million acres, unchanged from last month. The World Agricultural Outlook Board (WAOB) projected U.S. 2005/06 ending stocks of all wheat are down 59 million bushels from last month due to smaller beginning stocks and lower production. The projected price range for 2005/06 is \$2.65 to \$3.15 per bushel, compared with an estimated \$3.39 for 2004/05.

Corn: The U.S. 2005 corn crop is projected at 11.0 billion bushels by the WAOB, unchanged from May, but down 7 percent from the record crop last year. Ending stocks of corn are forecast to be unchanged from last month as total supply and use are also unchanged. The projected price range for the 2005 corn crop is \$1.55 to \$1.95 per bushel, compared with \$2.00 to \$2.10 for the 2004 crop.

Soybeans: The WAOB projection of the 2005 U.S. soybean crop remained unchanged from May, at 2.90 billion bushels, but is 8 percent less than last year's record crop. With expected increases in U.S. export opportunities, tighter supplies and a slight decrease in crushings are projected. Exports increased 10 million bushels from last month while crushings were reduced by 10 million bushels. Ending stocks of the 2005/06 crop are projected at 255 million bushels, down 35 million bushels from last month and 65 million bushels less than last year. Soybean prices for 2005/06 are projected at \$4.95 to \$5.95, up 25 cents per bushel from last month on both ends of the range, and compares with last year's estimated price of \$5.70 per bushel.

Cattle: Mid-June prices for choice steers (Nebraska direct, 1100-1300 pounds) averaged \$83 per cwt, down \$6 from mid-May. Feeder steer prices (Oklahoma City, medium-large frame, 750-800 pounds) were roughly \$113 per cwt, up \$1 from a month ago.

Trade: June U.S. trade projections for rice, soybeans, cotton, and turkeys improved, compared with last month. Wheat, corn, beef, pork, and broilers were unchanged from May. June projections for the volume of exports for the 2005/2006 marketing year compared to 2004/2005 are: wheat down 10 percent; corn up 8 percent; rice up 13 percent; soybeans up 2 percent; soybean meal down 5 percent; soybean oil unchanged; and cotton up 15 percent. June projections for the volume of meat exports in calendar 2006 compared to 2005 are: beef up 6 percent; pork up 8 percent; broilers up 3 percent; and turkeys up 2 percent. The U.S. trade deficit for goods and services increased to \$57.0 billion in April, from a revised \$53.6 billion in March. The U.S. agricultural trade showed a deficit of \$35 million in April, compared with a surplus of \$198 million in March.

World Weather and Crop Developments (June 12-19): In the United States, in the wake of heavy rainfall from Tropical Storm Arlene, warm, mostly dry weather prevailed across much of the Southeast and Mississippi Delta, encouraging crop development, particularly cotton. Meanwhile, the remnants of Arlene brought rainfall to the eastern Corn Belt, Ohio Valley, and Great Lakes region, helping to relieve recent dryness and improve crop conditions. Early in the week, heavy rainfall in the northern Great Plains maintained adequate to abundant soil moisture, though flooding was a problem in some fields. Elsewhere on the Plains, heavy rainfall limited fieldwork in Kansas and Oklahoma, while dry conditions in Texas were favorable for winter wheat harvesting. Temperatures were below normal from the Rocky Mountains westward, with the exception of parts of the Southwest. Cooler weather accompanied widespread showers in Ukraine and Russia, favoring winter wheat in the filling stage and spring-sown crops in the vegetative stage. Widespread precipitation favored spring grains in Russia, while scattered showers dampened crop areas in Kazakhstan. Drier weather favored winter grain harvesting in the Middle East. Showers maintained abundant soil moisture for corn and soybeans in parts of Manchuria, while hot, dry weather returned to the North China Plain. Monsoon showers continued to provide beneficial moisture to corn and rice in Thailand and the Philippines. Widespread rain improved winter grain prospects in chronically dry eastern Australia and maintained favorable conditions for winter wheat and barley development in Western Australia. Light showers brought limited relief from dryness to southern and western wheat areas of Argentina.

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